

DERIK & ZOË

F L E N S B U R G

joining God in reaching the nations through aviation



THE LORD IS OUR STRENGTH



In May, God brought us to Kenya and Uganda! Travel was long; we transited about ten time zones before we arrived in Nairobi to help conduct the Mission Safety International safety audit of AIM AIR. We learned that AIM AIR unites missionary and Kenyan workers, delivering maintenance, logistics, and cross-border flights from Nairobi and Arua, sustaining gospel access to unreached African peoples despite geographic and political challenges.

Safety auditing in Kenya.

The AIM AIR audit in Nairobi included staff interviews, a facility walkthrough, a brief aircraft inspection, and a final meeting where we shared both observations and encouragement with the team. When the audit in Nairobi concluded, we rode in an AIM AIR Cessna 206 to Arua in NW Uganda where AIM AIR has another base of flight operations. In the Arua safety audit, we saw how government corruption creates obstacles for missionary aviation. However, God has been faithful to work mightily through AIM AIR's diligent operations.

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- Continued growth in our love for the Lord and desire for the work He has for us.
- Wisdom and perseverance in navigating the challenges in our roles at Moody.
- More staff to fill critical roles at Moody and adequate facilities to support them.

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We visited Carole Brenton at her house in Rongai and a few of her Kenyan Sign Language Bible students.



Derik with his students at MAF Aviation Camp at Cascade Airport in Central Idaho.



Zoë uses adhesive to install a crankshaft seal on one of Moody Aviation's aircraft engine run stands.

Meeting old friends.

While in Kenya and Uganda, it was a treat to see Baden Fosse and Josh Cowles, two classmates from our time as students at Moody Aviation, now serving with their families at AIM AIR. We were also elated to connect with Carole Brenton, a missionary to the deaf in Kenya. Zoë grew up knowing Carole from her home church in Caldwell, ID and from church camp.

Impact from Kenya.

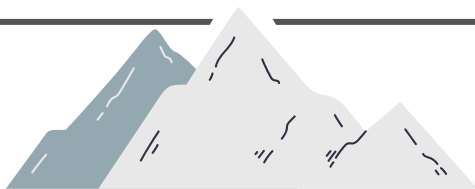
During those 15 days in East Africa, we experienced many new things: lively downtown driving, bustling markets, extremes of poverty and wealth, and the everyday sight of armed guards at places like grocery stores. Now back in the USA, we look back and see how God used this trip to show us how He moves in missions, whether overseas or domestic: He works through those who persevere in and rely on Him.

Sharing the vision at MAF camp.

In July, we flew a Cessna 172R to Cascade, ID for MAF's Aviation Camp. Derik gave flight instruction to four of the twelve campers, teaching basic maneuvers and ground navigation. With our usual camp director away this year, Zoë joined the camp directing team and helped wherever she could: working on the schedule, teaching some ground school, coordinating activities, and pitching in with whatever came up during camp. By the end of the aviation camp, some of the campers shared that they felt God stirring an interest in missionary aviation, some excited to come to Moody after high school. We're so grateful to have been part of the camp again and see God at work in the lives of the youth.

Summer at Moody Aviation.

From July thru September, Zoë stepped into a temporary role teaching in our powerplant training lab, filled with 27 eager students learning about alternators, magnetos, carburetors, turbo systems, fuel and oil systems, and aircraft engine run stands. In addition to managing safety reports and investigating incidents, Derik has been meeting with leadership regularly for the purpose of implementing new safety processes. Between challenges of the demands of the powerplant lab and of navigating changes following Derik's supervisor going on sabbatical for fall, we have had to lean on the Lord for our strength. He gives good rest. He gives good ideas.



Reached!

\$7,000

MONTHLY MINIMUM GOAL

\$8,026/mo.

CURRENTLY FUNDED



MONTHLY FUNDING STATUS

\$10,000

MONTHLY LONG-TERM GOAL

We look forward to the steps God has for us next, wherever He leads. What is the next step the Lord has for you?

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